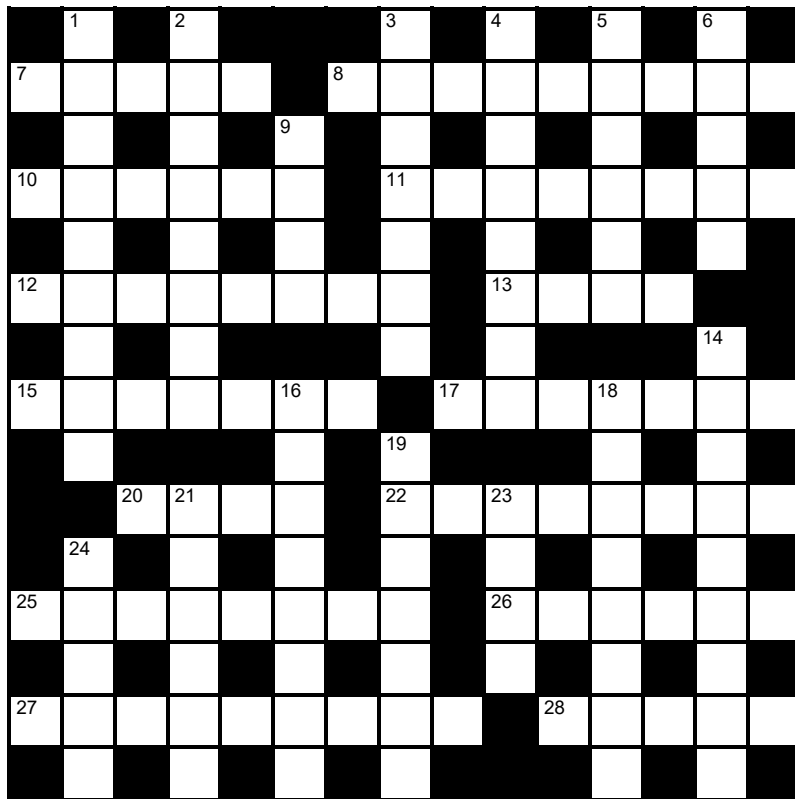


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Across

- 7 Grills politician involved in unpleasant matter (5)
- 8 Oddly grey Brazil nuts not good (9)
- 10 26 maybe hot in pink (6)
- 11 Twisted Sister could be in terrible need (8)
- 12 Disgustingly necrotic creations (8)
- 13 Left-leaning retreat in Iranian capital (4)
- 15 Agent turned in revolutionary city is The Penguin (7)

17 Instrument used in Call of Duty (7)

- 20 Possibly man is species lacking empathy originally (4)
- 22 Dog on lead in Countryfile? (8)
- 25 "4" caddy shouted out? (8)
- 26 Oil rag massage for aureole (6)
- 27 Top German scorer sent one over the bar woefully, on rarest failure to register (9)
- 28 Component of diethyl ether caused memory loss when drunk (5)

Down

- 1 Fun guy heard booms! (9)
- 2 Lace rips around orifice (8)
- 3 Poem about lubed up regular in Covent Garden? (7)
- 4 Clerical error in Lara's top score (8)
- 5 Heartless pornography piece dedicated to French 15 (6)
- 6 Skins up to REM? (5)
- 9 Slight stumble (4)
- 14 Spooner's idiot may take on extra duty? (9)
- 16 3 perhaps over the hill at 100? (8)

- 18 Chuck's advice to 27 that may pay dividends later? (8)
- 19 Pressure put on writer that may prevent issue coming out? (7)
- 21 Work inside prison at Alcatraz (6)
- 23 Nearly booze up time (4)
- 24 27 wrote them messages (5)